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RUSSIANS MAKE FINAL PLANS FOR NIXON VISIT

Social and Personal

President Zalman Shazar yesterday received Tourism Minister Moshe Kol and Mr. Joseph Stone of South Africa.

The President also received Aluf Mishne Zvi Levanon, Mr. Ya'acov Levanon and Mrs. Tsila Levanon, who presented Mr. Shazar with the first copy of Mrs. Levanon's book "Mela."

Prime Minister Golda Meir yesterday received the Ambassador of Haiti, Mr. Musset P. Jerome.

The Norwegian Ambassador and Mrs. Petter Graver gave a reception at their residence in Herzliya yesterday on the occasion of the National Day of Norway.

Mr. David Smilgt will lecture on "The Cosmos — Finite or Infinite?" at Beit Agron, Jerusalem, on Sunday, May 21, at 8.30 p.m.

A discussion on air, land and water pollution, with the participation of Dr. Amotz Zohary of Tel Aviv University, will be held by the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel at the Z.O.A. House, 1 Rehov Daniel Frish, Tel Aviv, on Monday, May 22.

The Marquis Michel de Saint Pierre, holder of the French Academy's prize for the novel, is to lecture on May 22 at 9 p.m. in the Wiza hall in Rehov Mapa, Jerusalem on "The writer as witness to his time." (in French) under the auspices of the Israel-French Friendship League. Mr. Walter Eytan will preside.

Prof. Gershon Shaked is to lecture (in Hebrew) on "The Poetics of S.Y. Agnon" on Tuesday, May 23, 1972, at 6.15 at the Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities, 43 Rehov Jabotinsky, Jerusalem.

BIRTH
UNGER. — To Michael & Ofra Unger (née Hayout), Kibbutz Revivim, a son, Giora, on May 8, their first child, grandchild to Yehuda-Kur & Soja Unger and Benjamin & Esther Hayout.

Berlin Wall open again

EAST BERLIN (Reuters). — Thousands of West Berliners laden with fruit, flowers, cigarettes and coffee streamed through the Berlin Wall yesterday morning when the barriers were raised for the second time in seven weeks.

They are due to remain open for eight days in a goodwill gesture by East Germany. The last time they went up was at Easter, and many West Berliners were making their second visit to the east since that time.

Formalities at the border crossings were down to a minimum, but some travellers had to wait for up to an hour as long queues formed at the special control point booths.

With the opening of the Wall, East Germany has temporarily brought into effect key clauses of the four-power Berlin agreement, the final signature of which awaits ratification of Bonn's pact with the Soviet Union and Poland.

Massive Kuwait grant to Syrian forces

KUWAIT (Reuters). — The Kuwaiti National Assembly, meeting in a secret session on Tuesday, agreed to give 10 million dinars (about \$11.25m.) to Syria to help finance her military efforts for "the Arab cause."

Saboteur dies by own bomb in Iran

TEHERAN (Reuters). — A saboteur was killed when a bomb he was planting in a lavatory of a U.S. exhibition exploded in his hand. It was officially announced here yesterday. Another time-bomb and one pistol with ammunition were found in his possession.

MOSCOW. — Soviet and U.S. officials are working overtime to complete preparations for President Nixon's visit to Russia next week. "Pravda" prepared for the summit meeting yesterday with an article praising peaceful co-existence despite the grave situation in Vietnam.

President Nixon will meet at least eight times for talks with the ruling Soviet Politburo, but the agenda for both sides is wide open, high-level Soviet sources said yesterday.

Mr. Nixon and his closest advisers will meet at least twice daily for the first four days of the visit with Communist Party Secretary-General Leonid Brezhnev, Premier Kosygin and President Podgorny, the sources said. Private talks might also be held.

Secretary of State William Rogers,

who did not take part in the preliminary sessions during Nixon's visit to Peking in February, will participate in the Moscow talks, they said. Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko will also be present.

The largest single group of newsmen ever to visit the Soviet Union will accompany the presidential party. The sources said 350 newsmen, including resident foreign correspondents and Soviet reporters, have been accredited.

A press centre with 10 telex lines and 20 international telephone lines will be set up in the new Hotel Intourist, a few minutes walk from the Kremlin. Observers expect the Russians to keep strict control on news during the talks, but note that it is the first time the Soviet Government has set up a press centre for a visiting head of state.

SPOCK HELD IN WAR PROTEST

NEW YORK. — Police arrested baby doctor Benjamin Spock and 121 other anti-war demonstrators on Tuesday, when they staged a sit-in in the rotunda of the U.S. Capitol. Police moved in and started hauling away the singing demonstrators in Washington, when they balked at ending a sit-in about half an hour after the official closing time.

Ninety-five protesters were arrested when they blocked two gates at Westover Air Force Base in the 17th demonstration at the Chicopee, Massachusetts base since April 21. Sixty demonstrators were hauled away by police when they sat down in front of cars trying to enter Hanscom Air Force Base at Bedford, Massachusetts.

About 15 people were taken away by Federal officers and police after they had chained themselves together

to block the entrance to the Federal Building in Hartford, Connecticut, and five were arrested when they tried to halt a busload of army draftees in Lebanon, New Hampshire.

All of the protests were in opposition to President Nixon's Vietnam policy.

Senate doves in Washington lost a key vote on Tuesday on their end-of-war amendment, and chief supporters said they would now vote against their own measure. "I accept the verdict of the Senate," said Sen. J.W. Fulbright (Dem.-Arkansas), adding he was willing to drop the whole issue and move on to other bills.

Senators voted 47 to 43 to require an internationally supervised ceasefire as a precondition to cutting off appropriations for U.S. combat involvement in Indo-China. (UPI, AP)



Schoolboy being held by policeman outside the County Hall, Lambeth, London, during yesterday's "Pupil Power" demonstration. (AP radiophoto)

Iraq threatens oil companies

BEIRUT (UPI). — The Iraqi Government will act against foreign oil companies if they do not increase crude oil exports to a maximum, an official statement said yesterday.

"The Iraqi Government will find itself compelled to take all the legal and executive measures necessary to protect its national interests," the statement said.

The statement followed allegations that Western oil firms had sharply cut crude oil exports from their Iraqi oilfields.

'Pupil Power' London rally dispersed

LONDON (UPI). — A thousand London schoolchildren challenged the police yesterday and lost.

The children, more than 1,000 strong, played truant to stage a "Pupil Power" rally under Nelson's Column in Trafalgar Square.

The police had other ideas. They cordoned off the square and let the children march aimlessly around the nearby streets.

One burly policeman told a dozen 12-year-old girls: "I am not going to allow you to run around here. Now go on back to school." They scuttled off.

Four boys and three older men were hauled off for police questioning.

The pupils were pressing seven demands, including an end to compulsory school uniforms and an end to corporal punishment with canes. Their demands were to be handed to Prime Minister Edward Heath later.

Israel official sees Haile Selassie

ADDIS ABABA (AP). — The Assistant Director-General of Israel's Foreign Ministry, Mr. Ya'acov Shimon, held his second round of talks on Tuesday with top Ethiopian officials on bilateral relations.

Mr. Shimon, who arrived over the weekend, was received in audience by Emperor Haile Selassie. He leaves today for Nairobi.

Israeli withdrawal is urged at Unctad

SANTIAGO, Chile (Reuters). — The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development adopted a Third World resolution on Tuesday night calling for Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab territories as a prerequisite for the reopening of the Suez Canal.

The Suez issue had dominated much of the proceedings here over the last five weeks, with Israel among the many countries determined to trim the resolution, so avoiding two paragraphs blaming "Israeli occupation of Arab lands" for the Canal's closure.

Israel representative, Mr. Gideon Rafael, repeatedly accused the presidency of the conference of "muddling and stifling opinion" and protested against "this high-handed procedure."

In a rollcall vote, 70 countries voted in favour of the resolution, 37 actively abstained, while no votes were cast against. Thirty-four other countries, including Israel, did not participate in the vote. France, Great Britain and China supported the resolution.

But immediately after the vote, while some delegations were still explaining their stand, both Western and Third World delegates described the Arab support obtained for the resolution as "limited."

"They expected at least 80 to 90 countries to support them," one European delegate said.

The resolution has cost the conference, assembled to try to see how rich nations can help the poorer states, three days of discussion during the crucial final plenary stage.

The resolution says, among other paragraphs, that the conference, "mindful of the fact that the continued closure of the Suez Canal is linked to the occupation by Israel of Arab territories," is "convinced also that Israeli withdrawal from occupied territories is a prerequisite for the reopening of the Suez Canal and its continued operation in normal and peaceful conditions."

Vietnam was the motive for a noisy demonstration around the conference building, when about 3,000 Chilean Maoist demonstrators burned U.S. flags and tried to present a manifesto to delegates. Riot police with batons and tear gas chased the demonstrators away and later cleared them past the U.S. Consulate after a tense 20-minute confrontation, during which the demonstrators' leaders discussed whether to try to charge the building.

Emerging from a 60-minute meeting with the French President, Ghaib said he had delivered a verbal message to him from Egyptian President Anwar Sadat.

The Egyptian Minister added: "We have assured Mr. Pompidou that we want a political solution to the Middle East crisis and we shall pursue our efforts towards obtaining this sort of solution. But we also have the right to speak about the liberation of our territories."

Ghaib said Egypt would spare no effort to reach a political settlement. Egypt had no particular plan in mind and was examining several methods of reviving political ventures to solve the problem.

Ghaib yesterday also saw Foreign Minister Maurice Schumann and Deputy Foreign Minister Jean de Lipkowsky.

Ghaib, who arrived here on Tuesday, is discussing major programmes of economic and technical cooperation between France and Egypt. He leaves for Yugoslavia on Friday.

He also met with the Yugoslav Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Pavle Pribitić, who is in Egypt on a three-day visit.

Four anarchists are now on trial in connection with the bomb attack in a Milan bank, and with three bomb explosions which took place in Rome on the same day, injuring another 20 people.

Dr. Calabresi is also still the subject of a judicial investigation on a charge of murdering Pinelli brought by the anarchist's wife.

According to a police reconstruction, the police inspector was killed by a tall, blond, young man, who fired three pistol shots at him from close range while Dr. Calabresi was unlocking the door of his car in the street outside his Milan home. The man then made his escape in a waiting car, driven by a woman, while Dr. Calabresi lay dying in a pool of blood on the pavement.

Since the death of Pinelli, Dr. Calabresi had been continually subjected to threats.

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Tupolev

(Continued from page one)
The Russians had so far not supplied even their closest allies with Mig-23s. While this does not necessarily mean that they may not eventually make an exception of the Egyptians and entrust them with some of these aircraft, all reports on this subject are regarded as "highly speculative" for the moment.

All that can be said with certainty now is that there are two Mig-23 squadrons stationed in Egypt and that all of these aircraft are being maintained and flown by Russians. Egyptian pilots could be training (in Russia) on Mig-23s as well as other advanced type of aircraft.

The commentators believe that the Egyptians are still not capable of exploiting even the Mig-23s in their possession, and that the only aircraft they have used with a reasonable degree of skill has been the antiquated Mig-17.

Discussing the reported delivery to Egypt of Tupolev 22 bombers, commentators here suggested that these aircraft would, if operated out of Egyptian bases, constitute part of Russia's tactical deployment against the West rather than in support of the military ambitions of Egyptian generals.

The same applies to reports of the imminent reinforcement of the Egyptian Navy. Surface ships are highly vulnerable to the Israeli missile boats. The Russians still rely on their submarine-style missile destroyers, and they have not provided the Egyptian destroyers with any of the longer range ship-to-ship missiles with which most of their own destroyers and cruisers are equipped.

S. African troops said in Angola

KAMPALA, Uganda (Reuters). — A spokesman for the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola has claimed that South Africa sent troops to Angola to help Portuguese forces in their fight against African guerrillas. He also claimed that German and American mercenaries are fighting for Portugal in the Central African country.

A company of South African troops is allegedly based near Luso, in north-eastern Angola. The spokesman further claimed that the Portuguese were also using South African pilots and war materials and that Portuguese officers received training in the psychological aspects of guerrilla warfare in the United States.

Castro arrives in Bulgaria

SOFIA, Bulgaria (UPI). — Cuban Premier Fidel Castro arrived for an eight-day official stay yesterday, following a three-week intensive propaganda campaign promoting the visit, his first to Bulgaria.

Castro flew in from Algeria, one of the stops on his "tour of Africa and Eastern Europe."

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Jordan driver killed in ambush

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter. — A Jordanian truck driver was killed and another wounded in an ambush set by the terrorists near the Lebanese-Syrian border on Tuesday night, Amman Radio reported yesterday.

The radio said that two Jordanian trucks, loaded with phosphates, came under automatic fire at the Wadi al-Harir area, on the Lebanese side of the border with Syria.

The name of the driver who was killed was given as Mohammad Tawfik Kamel, formerly of Jerusalem, who had recently been living in Zarka, northern Jordan. Amman Radio said that the wounded driver was in a critical condition at a Lebanese hospital.

Lebanese security forces were reported yesterday to be conducting an intensive investigation, although the assailants are believed to have fled to Syria.

The Cairo-based Fatah radio claimed yesterday that the ambush against the Jordanian trucks was set by the "Jordanian intelligence," which seek to undermine relations between the Lebanese authorities and the forces of the Palestinian revolution.

The attack on the trucks was obviously carried out by the terrorists, who have vowed to sabotage Jordanian interests everywhere.

Terrorist broadcasts transmitted from Baghdad on Tuesday night called upon "progressive forces" to launch a confrontation against the governments of Jordan, Saudi Arabia and the Omar Sultanate. The last two countries were accused of seeking to topple the "progressive" leftist government of Southern Yemen in Aden.

Tito, Ceausescu discuss M-E.

KLADOVO, Yugoslavia (UPI). — President Tito of Yugoslavia met privately with Rumanian President Nicolae Ceausescu yesterday for a briefing on Ceausescu's recent talks with Israeli and Egyptian leaders. Government officials said.

The two President met inside the control station building of the Iron Gates Dam, which they inaugurated on Tuesday. The dam, a joint Yugoslav-Rumanian project, houses Europe's largest hydro-electric power system.

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With deep sorrow we announce the death of
Dr. Alfred Ahron Wiener
Käte Wiener
Dr. Yona Cohn

In deep sorrow we announce the death of
my dear wife, our beloved mother and sister
LISBETH BRUCK
The funeral will leave today, Thursday, May 18, 1972,
at 11.30 a.m. from the Municipal Park, Tiberias.
THE BEREAVED FAMILY

THE UNVEILING OF THE TOMBSTONE OF THE LATE
LEAH SCHIMMEL
will take place on Sunday, May 21, 1972.
A bus will leave for the Har Hamenuhot Cemetery, at 11 a.m.
from Behov King George, Jerusalem, in front of the Jewish
Agency Building.

We thank all those who expressed their condolences
on the death of our beloved mother
JENNY KISSINGER
FAMILIES MAX and ERNST KISSINGER

We wish to express our deep gratitude
to all our friends and acquaintances who
participated in our grief.
A memorial meeting and the unveiling of
the tombstone of our beloved
JOACHIM ELYAKIM STRUCK
will take place on Monday, May 22, 1972
at 4.00 p.m. Friends and those who cherish
his memory will meet at the new entrance
of the Holon cemetery.
Eva Struck
Dr. J. Motulsky and his wife

Wallace sweeps to primary wins on wave of sympathy

By RONALD BATCHELOR

DETROIT (Reuter). — The voters of Michigan and Maryland poured out sympathy and support for George Wallace at the ballot boxes on Tuesday to give the wounded Alabama Governor the most impressive electoral victories of his tempestuous career.

The 52-year-old southern segregationist politician, struck down by a gunman on Monday on the eve of the two primary elections, received massive voter support in both states with fighting for second and third places on the Democratic ballots. The controversial governor had been favourite even before Monday's shooting incident at a shopping market in Laurel — a Baltimore, Maryland suburb.

The "Washington Post," quoting sources close to the medical team which operated on Wallace in Silver Spring, Maryland, said the chances for his immediate political activity were bleak. It quoted a doctor as saying, "It will be a miracle if he walks again," in reference to a spinal injury caused by a bullet.

Wallace, heavily sedated, was awoken by his wife and told of his major wins in Michigan and Maryland. He gave a big smile and a nod of his head.

Kenyan lions eat 30 so far this year

NAIROBI (Reuter). — Lions have eaten about 30 persons since the beginning of the year in a part of north-eastern Kenya, the Kenya news agency reported yesterday. In addition, they have also eaten 200 cattle, 120 camels and 235 sheep in Gura division.

The Wallace victory in Michigan, a major northern state which has traditionally displayed liberal voting patterns, was solidly based in all areas of the state, and was undoubtedly underpinned by the emotional issue of the busing of children to obtain racial balance in the public schools. The busing question, which flared to white heat among the middle and lower middle-class white suburban voters, was the major reason for Wallace's massive support in Michigan. Apart from the additional sympathy vote in the state, Wallace's campaign oratory condemning increased lawlessness, high taxation and federal bureaucracy, also gained him thousands of supporters among white blue-collar voters.

The Wallace wave in Michigan was boosted by the state's open primary election rules allowing voters to cross party lines. Republicans, without any real contest of their own, because of only token opposition to President Nixon, flocked to the Democratic ballot in many areas, and most of them cast their ballots for Wallace.

UPI reports from Milwaukee that the man being held as the assailant of Governor Wallace was given a mental test in Milwaukee last November when he appeared "incoherent" at a court appearance on a concealed weapons charge, officials said on Tuesday. A court-appointed psychiatrist found Arthur Bremer, 21, sane, although of "dull normal intelligence," and Bremer paid a \$40 fine in December on a reduced charge of disorderly conduct.

A police officer had seen him in a no parking zone and arrested him when he found two boxes of bullets on the car seat and a .38 calibre revolver in his coat pocket. A handgun was used at Laurel, Maryland, on Monday in the wounding of Wallace as he walked into a crowd after a speech.

The court appearance came to light as authorities, his family and few friends sought to learn what took Bremer to Laurel on Monday. He had not impressed anyone as a political zealot, but rather as a quiet, lonely fellow who a former 16-year-old girl friend said formed love and wanted to be "someone."



Arthur Bremer, the man who shot Governor Wallace, has reportedly been following the campaign for some time. He was photographed, centre with dark jacket applauding, on Saturday at a Wallace rally in Kalamazoo, Michigan. (AP radiophotos)



Wallace's second wife, Cornelia, 33, right, and his children, photographed after the shooting on Monday night. There has been speculation that Mrs. Wallace may take her wounded husband's place in the presidential nomination race. (AP radiophotos)

Readers' letters

Neglecting Newcastle disease

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir — The State Comptroller's report on the course, causes and ravages of the epidemic of Newcastle disease among the country's chicken farms (your report, "The cost of neglecting Newcastle" — April 28) deserves the attention of every citizen concerned with the way in which the Economic Ministries, the Agriculture Ministry included, conduct their affairs. The inefficiency of government officials which allowed the Newcastle epidemic to recur three times during three or four years and even contributed to its spread through the use of vaccines that were not only worthless, but spread the disease to uncontaminated chickens — should be investigated, not

only by the State Controller, but by an independent public enquiry commission.
When chicken farms were first hit by the epidemic in 1968 and suffered enormous losses, I reported the case to a friend in Spain who owns a big broiler farm and has his own laboratory where he manufactures a vaccine against Newcastle disease. This man, a good friend of Israel's, replied by cable that he was prepared in this exceptional case to airfreight to Israel vaccine against Newcastle, packed in dry ice, at the price of one cent per dose. I immediately transmitted the cable and background information to the local government veterinary so that he could pass it on to the Ministry of Agriculture. Since I received no reply, I asked our veterinary and was eventually told that the Ministry was not interested.

In this case, chicken farmers here suffered enormous losses, while local manufacturers of partly worthless vaccines made large profits because of the policy of the Agriculture Ministry. This is just another link in the chain of economic blunders. Unlike Netivot Neft, Vered and Autocars, it never attracted the attention of newspaper reporters until the State Comptroller brought it to public notice.

JULIUS KAHN
Ramat Hashavim, May 12.
NON-JEWS ON SABENA PLANE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir — In the aftermath of the Sabena hijacking, I wish to draw attention to one incident which was not sufficiently stressed. In your issue of May 10, you reported that, when the Arab hijackers asked the passengers who was not Jewish, "a flock of hands went up."
When the Germans invaded Denmark, all Jews were ordered to wear the yellow armband bearing the Star of David. The next day the King, as well as all Danish citizens, Christians and Jews, wore the Star of David.

It is to their discredit that the non-Jewish passengers of the Sabena plane did not remember the example of the Danes.

EILEEN POLLOCK
Jerusalem, May 11.
INCREASE POLICE CONTROL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir — The Deputy Minister of Transport, Mr. Gad Ya'acobi, recently stated in a TV interview that failure to complete road-building programmes according to allocations was partially responsible for our high accident rate. I think Mr. Ya'acobi missed the point: with some exceptions such as the Motza stretch, our roads are better than those in many countries with more traffic and a lower accident rate. Our road signs are much better than in European countries — numerous and clear. The real problem is that our drivers are the most reckless, unpollite, unskilled in the world, and don't obey the fundamental laws of careful driving: they blow their horns for no reason, overtake at the most dangerous places, change lanes constantly, drive down the middle of the road, do not respect priorities, speed, etc. Only stringent police control and more severe punishment, including suspension of driving licences, can help reduce the number of traffic accidents. Police should constantly change the stretch of road they control and devote a small part of the budget for new roads to increase the pay of traffic policemen and thus attract more and better young men to the force.

KURT GOTTLEB
Jerusalem, May 15.

AMIN WARNS ON U.K. TIES

UGANDA'S ruler General Idi Amin has warned that his country's relations with Britain could be affected as a result of a report (reprinted below) written by the London weekly "Observer's" Central Africa correspondent, Martin Meredith.

In a 4,000-word statement, the Uganda Government has threatened to reconsider its agreement with Britain for a military training mission, though it is highly unlikely that any action will in fact be taken.

Several articles critical of Amin's Uganda have appeared in the "Observer" recently. A month ago he invited the newspaper to send a representative to Uganda, and Meredith went in with a pledge of safe conduct.

On Friday, May 5, Meredith cabled a report on discipline in the Ugandan Army and evidence that army officers were implicated in the apparent murder of two Americans in Uganda last year.

The Ugandan Special Branch intercepted the article and Meredith was held in detention for 50 hours and expelled from Uganda last Tuesday. His own account of his expulsion appeared in The Jerusalem Post on Monday.



Meredith and Amin: Friends before expulsion

REPORT THAT STARTED THE ROW

Army clash looming?

By MARTIN MEREDITH

GENERAL Idi Amin is moving towards confrontation with senior Ugandan army officers implicated in the death of two Americans last year at the Mbarara army barracks in southern Uganda.

The issue is likely to become a major test in determining how far President Amin is prepared to go in taking action against the powerful West Nile group of army officers, the former NCOs whose support during the coup d'état last year ensured success of his takeover.

The outcome of this potential clash will also have a direct bearing on whether Amin intends to tackle the army's weak command structure, and chronic indiscipline among the troops, which has been rife since the coup removed almost all senior professional officers.

Two officers, both from the West Nile group, appear to be directly involved in the disappearance of the two Americans. One of them is Lieutenant-Colonel Wario Ali, commanding officer of Simba Battalion at Mbarara — where Nicholas Stroth, the 33-year-old American journalist, and Robert Steele, the 46-year-old university lecturer, are believed to have been killed last July while investigating reports of a massacre at the barracks. Ali is known to be a close friend of General Amin. He was promoted from sergeant-major to lieutenant-colonel for his services during the coup.

Another officer, Major Juma, second in command of the Simba Battalion last July, now heads a different battalion in north-east Uganda.

Others involved

Evidence given to the Judicial Commission of Inquiry, set up by General Amin under pressure from the United States Government to investigate the disappearance of the men indicates that other senior officers were involved in giving instructions about the disposal of the bodies, when it was realized that the disappearance of the Americans would lead to a serious diplomatic incident.

General Amin told me that he was prepared to go "to the fullest extent" in prosecuting officers implicated in the death of the two Americans, even if they were members of the army headquarters or the Defence Council.

The President stressed the personal friendship he had with Stroth, a freelance journalist who wrote for several papers, including the "Washington Star." The two men used to go swimming together.

Yet, at the same time, the Commission of Inquiry, headed by a

British-born Judge, David Jeffreys Jones, has frequently complained that its investigation is being obstructed by Colonel Ali, Major Juma and army headquarters. General Amin denies this.

Nevertheless, documents requested by the commission have been held back. Witnesses have "disappeared" or are, understandably, reluctant to come forward. The commission has been told that soldiers on guard duty at Mbarara Barracks, on the day when Stroth and Steele were last seen alive, had vanished.

The latest hearing was again postponed because Army officers called to give evidence failed to turn up. Since Mr. Justice Jones began conducting hearings eight weeks ago, he has repeatedly complained of obstruction.

At this week's hearing, too, the commission was informed that the Army headquarters claimed to have been unable to locate one witness, Lieutenant-Colonel William Omara, for the past two weeks.

Nobody expected the commission to make much headway, but the

dogged determination of Judge Jones has produced some firm results. Moreover the whole course of the commission has been changed by evidence given in Tanzania of an Army deserter, Lieutenant Silve Tibihika, who claims to have been present at Mbarara Barracks at the time of the Americans' disappearance.

The incident covered by the inquiry

affects the whole state of the army discipline. Proper training of troops is virtually absent. A small British military team has just started to run junior officers training courses, but its impact is essentially long-term.

Despite Uganda's critical financial position, General Amin shows no sign of being willing to curtail military expenditure. Large sums have been spent on new equipment and installations for his expanded army and new airfields for the air force. Officers are given substantial privileges, such as duty-free liquor, cars, fitted carpets and other perks. In the meantime Amin's administration is run on a day-to-day basis, hampered by a pervasive sense of inertia. Civil servants are unwilling to take an initiative or reassert themselves for fear of rebuke from the General. There appears to be no long-term Government policy, and no clear-cut directives from the President who dominates everything. Yet despite all this, Amin still seems to be widely popular in most parts of the country.

The role of the army is the key to power in Uganda for many years to come. This is why Amin's apparent reluctance, or inability, to bring it effectively under control causes such serious misgivings. And this, too, is why the outcome of the inquiry into the death of the two Americans has such an importance — not just in settling the past but in determining Uganda's future.



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The week in Israel

Students strike!

IT is hardly surprising that the Israel Union of Students decided to call the students out on strike, when the Ministry of Education proposed that the annual tuition fees be raised from IL900 a year to IL2,500. But one must consider the other side of the coin. The Ministry proposed to raise IL60m. in order to redistribute this sum in such a way as to enable needy students to be granted loans, and to improve educational conditions in elementary and pre-school education, especially among the Oriental communities.

Although the students are sen-

sitive to social problems, they did not react happily to this proposed solution. The Ministry of Education is beset with problems, and it may be that the University students should understand that the State cannot subsidize them to the detriment of the student audience that heard the Director General of the Ministry of Education, Mr. Elad Peled, express his thoughts on the subject, was remarkably insensitive to his argument. The students jeered.

The chairman of the Israel Student Union agreed that more has to be done to help the young people from Oriental backgrounds to graduate from university, but,

he added, he was not in favour of the Government's scheme.

About a year ago, the Minister of Education proposed a raise of IL105 per annum, together with loans for those students in need of aid to cover the increase. The Ministry also agreed to the students' demand that aid be given to those students who earn less than a stipulated sum.

Last week, the Students Union submitted 15,000 such loan applications, and only some seven or eight per cent were approved. The Ministry claimed that it had originally agreed to a sum less than that the students had in mind. The Students replied by charging the Ministry with bad faith.

PUPILS ON STRIKE

By ED BLANCHE
AF Correspondent

LONDON. — TEEN-age revolutionaries raised the banner of pupil power this week and called a strike last Wednesday in London's schools. Pupils from at least 72 of London's 224 schools are said to have taken the day off.

Among their demands: no more canteens, no more staying after school, no more censorship of school magazines, no more school uniforms and free milk every day. The School Action Union (S.A.U.), which is known to have links with several grown-up leftist groups, said if the one-day strike in London is successful, a nationwide pupil walk-out will be their next move.

About 100 youths between 12 and 18 met Sunday at a planning session in a curtained room in a London back street. Most wore Mao badges and said they were Marxists. Police detectives questioned several of the leaders later.

"Don't take my picture," one youngster pleaded with news photographers. "My mother thinks I'm at an art gallery. I'd lose my pocket money if she knew I was not."

Long-haired Simon Steyne, a 16-year-old leader of the movement, refused to talk to newsmen unless they paid him 100 pounds (IL1,000). The newsmen refused.

The union has already staged demonstrations and disruptions in several London schools. Last week it organized a march by 1,000 students, clenched fists raised, to county hall to press their demands.

The organization, formed more than two years ago, is led by 18-year-old Steve "Ginger" Finch, a student in his final year at a northwest London school. He was arrested two weeks ago for obstructing police at a pupil-power rally.



The snap of the barber's scissors!

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THE VALUES OF DOUBT

By KATHY KAHAGAN,
(Grade 11), Hugin High School

DOUBT made man more interesting and intelligent. Two conclusions can be drawn from this statement.

Man, at his birth, is a naive and exploring creature. Curiosity and the influence of others, make him into a mature adult who commands his own individual personality. Whether that personality always reflects intelligence and interesting qualities remains to be seen.

Job the Biblical figure is an example. He commands a type of personality that has enough insight to realize the problem he is confronted with. But on the other hand will every man in Job's position be able to distinguish the forest from the trees? Not every man has enough insight to be able to tackle challenging problems such as spiritual conflict. But, does that make a man particularly uninteresting and unintelligent?

Doubt is not the final criterion in separating the intelligent and interesting from the stupid and dull.

Abraham is known to be one of the most naive figures in the Bible. What made him so bright and interesting? Was he just a puppet on a holy string? Or did he also possess qualities that command the respect and love of his brethren and future generations to our very day? Abraham was subject to little human imperfections. Therefore we identify

with him. Abraham had indisputable qualities of a leader. Therefore we revere him. His naivety draws our love. I tend to believe that only a hardened cynic could take Abraham to be uninteresting and dull.

One of the main differences between Judaism and other religions is that Judaism fosters the existence of doubt. Our religion encourages doubt. This is seen in the tendency of encouraging questioning of the existence of God. In other religions this questioning and therefore the fostering of

doubt has been retarded and suppressed until their doctrines have become depressingly dogmatic. The examples I have brought forth of Job and Abraham are two different sides of the matter which in the stories themselves represent two ideologies — on the subject matter, the first supporting the statement saying man does acquire knowledge through his doubts, the second negating the statement saying doubt is not the final criterion. But this all goes to prove that Judaism does foster the existence of doubt.

I HAVE A BOAT!

By GALIT TADMOR
(Grade 12) Hugin High School

AT first, of course, I felt awful. I didn't get up from bed; when I was in horizontal condition I felt good, but when I was in vertical condition... awful!

But, I didn't miss the sunset. One who has not seen sunset in the midst of the sea, has never seen a real sunset. The sun is not dazzling yellow, but pleasant to look at, its colour is red at the bottom and pink at the top.

The black and the quick tempered sea seems to be calm and excited too, like me, at the glory and the beauty of this wonderful sun, red and golden, burning and freezing the soul with its beauty. Sitting on the deck, around me

water, water and water, and as I'm looking at this clear, blue, wonderful water a thought came into my mind: How many thirsty people are in our world? You know, looking at this water, you don't see that it is salty. It is blue, beautiful and makes you feel thirsty.

Yes, now I hope you people understand my pride, that when you ask me if I have a car, I say: No, I have a boat!

The almighty

By AARON REMER (17),
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Who limits love?
Who makes a star?
Who gives wings to a dove?
It's Him up far.

He sits on the throne of time,
And watches the slaves of earth
And exclaims: "They are mine!"

They just burn in the hearth.
As He erodes the mountains
And agitates the seas,
His hand releases the fountains
Whist he spans his child
on his knee.

Who limits the universe?
Who makes men?
Who erases a curse?
Who signs with the Holy Pen?

Ben-Aharon resigns and returns

MR. Yitzhak Ben-Aharon this week resigned and then rescinded his resignation as Secretary General of the Histadrut. His decision saves the Labour Party and the Histadrut from many internal difficulties. It is now only 18 months before the next elections. Appointing a new Secretary General would have made for an unhappy state of affairs. Mr. Ben-Aharon returned, having made no conditions, and having been given no promises.

The Secretary General decided to resign on Sunday because he complained that the Government interferes in the affairs of the Histadrut. Throughout his tenure of office, Mr. Ben-Aharon has sought to improve the image of the Histadrut in the eyes of the workers. For years, workers have complained that the Histadrut serves the general aims of the Government's economic po-

present labour. Mr. Ben-Aharon sought to change this image.

He was seeking a showdown with the manufacturers over the claims of the canning industry workers. To Mr. Ben-Aharon's mind, this was an opportunity to prove that the capitalists can provide for the proletariat. The manufacturers feared that such submission would lead to general demands by all workers. This would have done away with the three per cent wage framework agreement to which they and the Histadrut are committed. At the moment, the Government used its legal prerogatives to prevent this clash Mr. Ben-Aharon was most offended.

MICHAEL TADMOR

Let's away with fighting

by BIANCA KAPLAN
Ramat Gan.

Let's away with fighting...

Folly's sweet
Let's treasure all the pleasures of our youth,
Time enough for age to think on truth,
So short are our days,
And life is quickly passing,
And we in fighting wasting,
Youth that would be gay,
It's the spring of our life that is slipping,
Winter draweth near,
Life, life itself we are losing,
Therefore let's away with fighting,
'Cause day's so short,
And life so quickly passing,
And we in fighting wasting,
Youth that would be cheerful and gay.

Soldiers hike in war and peace

By CHAVA SEGALY
(Grade 11) Hugin High School

I DROVE home from Tel Aviv. On the road stood a nice, young soldier, dressed in uniform; I could make out his colours. I stopped near him; he and some other soldiers entered the car. They were not very comfortable in the small car. An hour later, exhausted, they dozed off. The one who sat next to me

kept the conversation going and he thanked me a lot, because he had been waiting on the roadside about two hours and no one had stopped. He thought he was in the desert.

It is interesting that in war drivers think it a privilege to give soldiers a lift, but in peace they do not like to do so and feel no obligation to do so. But I don't think this is fair, do you?

LANGUAGE PAPER No. 34

by MOSHE POSNER

1. Put the verb in brackets into the correct tense. Use Present Simple or Present Continuous only.

- "What you (do) this evening?" I (stay) at home.
- "What you (think) of his latest book?" "I like it very much."
- "I (hear) you (leave) Tel Aviv." "Yes, my wife (want) to see what life on a kibbutz is like."
- "What you (think) about? You (seem) to be perplexed."
- "Where you (go) for your holiday?" "I (intend) staying at home."

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- Mary (leave) about two hours ago.
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- He (not have) a day's illness since he (stop) smoking.
- Since the pound (devalue), the prices of apartments (double).
- It's only a week since they (meet) and they already (decide) to get married.
- When you (hear) the news? I (hear) it just now.
- Present Perfect, Simple or Continuous (Use the continuous form wherever possible).
- I (work) since 6 o'clock but I (not do) very much.
- She (change) jobs three times in the last six months.
- He (not miss) a single day since he (work) here.
- "What you (do) for the last two hours?" "I (rest)."
- He (work) so hard this month that he (not have) time to play with his children.
- He (ask) me for months to go out with him.
- I often (buy) a Mifal Hapayis ticket, but I (not win) anything yet.
- "Where you (be)?" "We (shop)."
- She (not say) a word since she (sit) here.
- "I (decide) to change my job." "I (tell) you to do that for months."
- Past Simple or Past Perfect only:
- He (tell) me that he (be) at home all day.
- He (be) sure that John (steal) the money.
- When he (show) me what he (buy), I (say) (think) he (have) very good taste.
- When we (arrive) the lecture already (begin).
- By the time we (arrive), all the seats (take).
- I (know) he (write) the let-

ter although he (deny) that he (do) so.

- Although he (study) Hebrew before he (come) to Israel, he never (hear) the language spoken so quickly.
- He (say) he (have) lunch before he (leave) home.
- The dinner just (finish) when I (discover) that I (come) to the wrong wedding.
- The lesson no sooner (begin) when the headmaster (walk) in.
- Future Simple or Present Simple only:
- I (do) it after the children (go) to bed.
- You (be) amazed when you (see) him.
- Please wait until I (be) ready.
- I (lay) the table while you (entertain) the guests.
- I (be) sure he (have) no difficulty in finding a job when he (arrive).
- As soon as I (get) my salary, I (pay) you what I (owe) you.
- I (write) to my sister before I (go) to bed.
- When I (grow) up I (want) to be an English teacher and (torture) my students with exercises like these.
- By the time you return the children (be) in bed.
- I (not be) happy until we (be) at peace with our neighbours.
- Future Perfect or Present Perfect only:
- When I (be) here for six months, I expect to know Hebrew well.
- By the end of the week they (return) from Europe.
- If you don't go now, they (leave) before you even get there.
- You cannot get up until your temperature (go) down.
- As soon as I (save) enough money, I'll buy a car.
- I'm afraid you'll have to wait until I (have) lunch.
- When I (have) lunch, I'll be able to discuss the problem.
- In another month, they (marry) exactly ten years.
- By ten o'clock everyone (leave); then I'll show you what I (buy).

8. Conditional Forms. Put the verbs in brackets into a correct tense:

- If he had been there, I (tell) him.
- I (not do) that if I were you.
- Don't buy it unless he (lower) the price.
- I (can) get a better job if I (know) Hebrew well.
- If he (not be) here soon, I (leave).
- I would have bought it if I (have) enough money.
- She never (know) if someone (not tell) her.
- If he invites me, I (may) go.
- You must do it if he (ask) you to.
- If I (be) younger, I (give) up teaching.
- If you (leave) now, you (arrive) at ten (two possibilities).
- If the weather (improve), we (go) by car (three possibilities).

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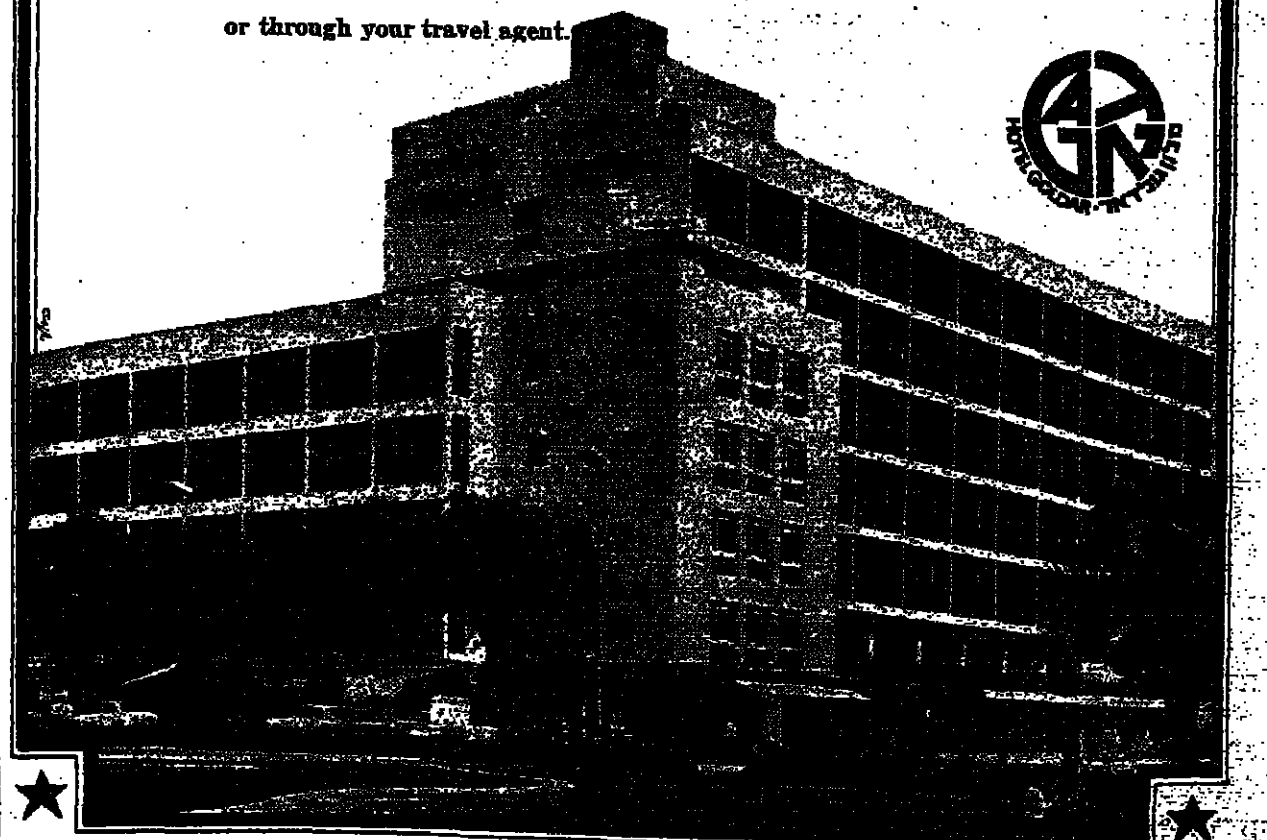
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Cannery pay settlement unveils old problems

By DAVID KRIVINE
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

THE solution hammered out in the food canners' wage dispute (after the intervention of the Prime Minister) is likely to be a prototype for other trades. On the face of it, the new collective agreement is excellent. But it lifts the veil on a host of intractable problems. One is the gap in status between the office clerk and production worker. The former is paid monthly, the latter on a daily basis. The public has been given the impression that the main difference between the two relates to severance pay, with monthly workers getting a month for every year of their employment and daily workers only a fortnight.

But there is more to it than that. The month-per-year severance pay is based on the employee's last wage, the fortnight-per-year on his day wage — which comes to much less. In addition, monthly workers generally enjoy a comprehensive pension (which includes cover for workers forced by sickness into premature retirement, also survivors' benefits), whereas daily workers only get the basic pension. The former also receive a 13th month salary, they can stay away for 12 days a year without bringing a doctor's certificate, and they do not need to work in every day — this apart from yet more amenities concerning seniority, sick leave and sick pay.

El Moyal, who represents the Food Workers Union on the Histadrut's 48-man Coordinating Committee, points out that a senior and well-tried factory worker may have a daughter working in the firm as a typist; he has to clock in, she doesn't. He recalls that for years the country has been told that it needs more industrial personnel, and fewer in the services. How come that such a disparity exists? David Hertzau, of Assia, Chairman of the Food Industries Department in the Manufacturers Association, comments: "While the Histadrut, they are very bit responsible as we are — they were signatories to all labour contracts in the last half-century." Gideon Ben-Israel, Chief Labour Relations Officer in the Labour Ministry, explains that the reasons are historical. The Clerical Workers Union managed long ago to extract benefits, initially from the big public institutions, that industry could not afford.

Industry's offer
The whole subject has come to the fore for the first time in the present canning industry negotiations. Mr. Hertzau again: "We offered to solve a good part of the problem in one go by putting everybody into comprehensive pensions. It would have cost us precisely as much as Golda Meir's compromise. But the Histadrut didn't want that." Advantages? Equality in pension rights. Improved social security. Greater mobility of labour. Abolition of severance pay — though this would be maintained for each employee up to the date of his switch to the comprehensive pension. "And we offered to give three weeks' severance pay a year instead of two, retroactively," he said. The workers preferred something different, and accepted Mrs. Meir's compromise solution, which provides the following: Every daily worker becomes entitled to three weeks' severance pay after eight years of employment. Every daily worker becomes a monthly worker five years

after that, i.e., when he has been employed for 13 years. Strangely enough, the cost of the two solutions is roughly the same. The Prime Minister's formula comes to 2.2 per cent of the wage bill, according to Hertzau. Giving instead a comprehensive pension straightaway would also cost two per cent. Why were the workers so obstinate in favouring one arrangement rather than the other?

Moyal (who bears a striking resemblance to Minister for Religious Affairs Zerah Warhaftig) explains it this way. It was agreed in the package-deal (the last wage agreement, for 1970-71) to explore the possibility of extending the application of the comprehensive pension. "A bilateral committee was formed representing employers and labour, under my chairmanship. We sat for eight months — and failed to reach agreement."

"Now the employers have changed their minds. But I cannot say to the men that all the Histadrut can get for them is what we failed to get last year. We must seek something new, and postpone the pension to a later date."

Mr. Hertzau takes the story up: "Both sides in the committee had agreed on the pension in every detail, with two exceptions. We did not want all the premiums to go into Histadrut funds, for investment in Histadrut projects. We thought some money should go into a national fund. That was the first point of issue. The second point was the Histadrut's insistence that the agreement be ratified in every single and separate workplace in the country."

Chief obstacle
Here lies the chief obstacle. Not all workers have the same regard for pension funds. The older ones, near retiring age, have little benefit, so prefer to keep and improve the severance-pay provisions. (Incidentally, they tend to be over-represented in workers' committees.) It is the younger men who get the bonanza and they represent the future, after all. Practically every person entering industrial employment in the coming years will derive the maximum out of any pension scheme. This breach of interest between young and old explains, no doubt, why Moyal wanted each workplace to make its own decision. Hertzau goes on: "At last Sunday's meeting with Golda, we were prepared to submit the two issues holding things up to arbitration by Labour Minister Almog." But it was too late. The contest was truly over issues of principle, rather than money. Moyal points out that the final settlement, modest as it is, does not even increase personal consumption in the economy, since the extra outlay goes into the severance-pay and benefit funds. The money side, argues Hertzau, is embodied in the previous framework agreement, negotiated for the whole economy by Yitzhak Ben-Aharon of the Histadrut, and Mark Mosevich of the Manufacturers Association. This imposes a heavy financial burden. Not only is there the Cost-of-Living allowance (5.2 per cent) and the salary increase (six per cent); but the minimum wage provision alone adds another seven per cent, he says, owing to an escalation that is inevitable — making (if we include wage drift) a total increase of 20 per cent in the employers' wage bill per worker.

Ben-Aharon's shadow
Finally, what about Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, the Histadrut's Secretary-General, whose "shadow" hovered over the meeting in the Prime Minister's office? (According to Hertzau?) Was he right to resign over a dispute that was on the verge of termination, with the full assent of both parties? Moyal's lips are sealed, at least until the meeting of the Histadrut's Coordinating Committee, scheduled to discuss the resignation. Hertzau presents the other side of the case. "The employers were ready to fight this time. We would have answered the strike with a lockout. The final settlement was not to our liking. But when facing the four ministers (Meir, Sapir, Almog and Bar-Lev), we were facing the Government. And we couldn't fight both the Histadrut and the Government."

"The Government had a right to intervene, not only as mediators, but because they fix prices. The increased costs we carry, as a result of the framework agreement and Golda's formula together, will have to be offset either by higher prices or a subsidy. Otherwise I shall tell Bar-Lev that we in Assia (and not only we) are forced to close our plant down," he predicted. "In the circumstances, I think the Government saved Ben-Aharon from a serious crisis by its intervention. I'm quite certain that the Histadrut would not have won more, or even as much, by going it alone."

OLD PASTURE LAND BELONGS TO STATE

In the Supreme Court sitting as Court of Civil Appeal
Before Justices Landau, May and Kister.
State of Israel, Appellant, v. Um-el-Fahm Local Council, Respondents
(C.A. 499/70).

LAW REPORT
The Jerusalem Post
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METRUKA LAND TO THE STATE

The respondents claimed that they were entitled to registration in their name of several plots of land in the Um-el-Fahm village on the ground that the plots are metruka land previously used by the local inhabitants for pasturing purposes. The State also laid claim to the land.

The Haifa District Court decided that the plot on which the local council had built a school should be registered in the name of the local council and that the remaining plots should be registered in the name of the State.

The State appealed against the decision that one of the plots should be registered in the name of the local council.

Section 154(a) of the Land Law, 1960, provides that: "Property which, before the coming into force of this Law, belonged to the metruka category, shall be registered in the name of the State. Provided that if it is situated within the area of a local authority and immediately before the coming into force of this Law it consisted of roads or open spaces, other than the seashore, used mainly by residents of that local authority it shall be registered in the name of that local authority."

Mr. E. Nathan, Assistant State Attorney, appeared for the appellant and Mr. Nakara for the respondents.

Judgment
Justice Landau, who delivered the judgment of the Supreme Court, Justices May and Kister concurring, noted that the first issue to be decided was whether the plots of land in question had, prior to the coming into force of the new Land Law, been metruka land. The answer to this was to be found, he said, in the Ottoman Land Code in which metruka land is defined as being land for the general use of the public, like a public highway, or land assigned to the inhabitants of a village or town as, for example, pasture land.

The District Court, Justice Landau said, had apparently distinguished between the land on which the school was built and the rest of the land in the present case on the assumption that the former had been in constant use by the local inhabitants as metruka land where as the latter had not.

However, he held, this distinction was unfounded for three reasons: first, that different kinds of use (first as a pasture ground and then for a school) may not be joined for purposes of characterizing land as metruka; second, that article 97 of the Ottoman Land Code expressly excludes the erection of buildings on pasture land as signed to a village; and, third, that in accordance with section 154(a) of the Land Law, only such land as consisted, before the Law came into force, of roads or open spaces (and not built up areas), used mainly by residents of the local authority, could be registered in the name of the local authority.

In short, he held, there was no difference between the land on which the school was built and the rest of the land under consideration.

The next question to be decided in respect of all of the land was whether the fact that it had once been used as pasture was sufficient to make it metruka land, in view of the fact that since the establishment of the State it had become land for building purposes.

Finding the answer to be negative, Justice Landau held that, once the land had ceased to be used as pasture, it had lost its character as metruka land for the use of the local inhabitants.

It is, he said, essential that the use of the land as metruka land for the benefit of the local inhabitants be continuous until after land settlement has been completed, if it is to be registered in the name of the local council. For such registration is intended for the purpose of preserving that use of the land which characterized it as metruka land. Once this particular use had ceased to exist, there was nothing left to preserve, and no justification for registering the land in the name of the local council.

Even if land has been registered in the name of the local authority, on the strength of section 154(a), if its use is changed later for a use which would not justify its being registered in the name of the local authority, then the land passes to the ownership of the State in accordance with section 154(b).

All the more so, therefore, does ownership pass to the state when the original use of the land has ceased before it is registered in the name of the State.

He was of the opinion, therefore, Justice Landau said, that the appeal should be allowed. Appeal allowed with IL500 costs. Judgment given on May 10.

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SHAPIRO RAPS WILNER, BUT ADMITS: Census should ask 'nationality' and not only 'religion'

By ASHER WALLFISH, Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The first questionnaire in the 1972 population census should have asked heads of families to state their nationality (and not only their religion), in the personal opinion of Justice Minister Y.S. Shapira.

The Minister went on record with this statement in the Knesset yesterday, when the House struck off the record an urgent motion by Mr. Meir Wilner (New Communists) to postpone next week's census till new questionnaires were printed which contained the category "nationality."

Mr. Shapira said it was typical of Mr. Wilner to allege that the whole idea was a plot to conceal the number of Arabs in Israel, or that it was in any way deliberate to omit nationality and ask only about religion.

To find out the number of Arabs in Israel, he said, all you need to do is add the number of Moslems to the number of Christians, minus the 5,000 or so Christians who are non-Arab in origin, he said.

But since the census was due to start on Sunday, it was too late to postpone it, or to have new forms printed in time. Had a postponement been feasible, the issue would certainly have been open for discussion, he assured.

The very first census in Israel asked about nationality and religion, but the second one in 1961, did not ask about nationality, and nobody queried its omission. In the first census, he noted, many Arabs wrote "Moslem" and many wrote "Israeli," under nationality. The concept of nationality is by no means the same in the Middle East as it is in other parts of the world, the Minister added.

In his motion, Mr. Wilner said that a political, racist and chauvinist motive lay behind the omission of "nationality" from the census forms. Citizens were to be coerced into stating their faith. Jews would naturally write "Jew," in the belief that they were being asked about their nationality, not their religion. The result of the census would be to show that Israel had no Arabs, as such.

Mr. Wilner observed that, whereas the Christians were asked to state their denomination, the Jews were not so asked. Surely it would have been logical to do the same with the Jews, and ask whether they were Orthodox or Reform, Ashkenazi or Sephardi.

He also complained that the questionnaire was so phrased as to sound anti-feminist.

The questionnaire must be with-

drawn and the census postponed until a new form was distributed, Mr. Wilner demanded.

Later yesterday, Housing Minister Zeev Shazar said, in a reply to another motion for the census, that a joint committee of the Ministries of Justice, Interior and Housing was currently discussing a draft amendment to the Planning and Building Law, to reduce red tape in the approval of building licences. He repeated an earlier prediction that the backlog in housing for 1975 would be met by 1976.

Knesset takes up violence in sports

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The worst aspect of violence on the soccer pitch is the increasing number of attacks on referees, Deputy Education Minister Abraham Yadin said in the Knesset yesterday.

He was replying to a motion for the agenda by Mrs. Shoshana Arbeli (Alignment), which was referred to the Education Committee. This session alone, he said, 42 referees had been assaulted although last season there had been 38; and the season before, 28 cases.

"They're even chasing the referees with axes and knives nowadays," Mr. Yadin said. "Violence against referees is an extreme symptom of social and moral decline. If it carries on, it will bring disaster upon the sport of soccer. There's no point in playing soccer if referees can't judge without being under pressure."

Mr. Yadin pointed out that the fans were responsible for most of the assaults, not the players. Although 6,000 matches are played in

a season, there were only 146 matches marred by riots this year. Last year there were 242 riots.

The link between the Toto football pool and the violence has not been substantiated, Mr. Yadin said. Most riots took place on pitches of the lower leagues, which are not covered by the Toto. At the same time, he said, an amendment to the Sports Gambling Law is being considered which will neutralize the Toto as a possible factor in inflaming passions on the pitch.

Mr. Yadin detailed the commitments given by the Police Ministry about the presence of policemen at games, and explained the teams' obligation to hire ushers — and in some cases private guards — at home matches. The Sports Authority will help pay the expenses, he said. In addition, discipline and sanctions will be stiffened, better safety measures (like fencing) will be made obligatory, referees will get special changing rooms, and they will also get higher insurance coverage.

In her motion, Mrs. Arbeli said the soccer pitches had become battlefields, and that human life was in danger. Hatred was fomented between one town and another. The biggest lacuna is in teaching the importance of fair play, she thought.

The referees had been right to strike, but they had still achieved nothing.

Mrs. Arbeli felt that much of the harm was being caused by the Sports Toto.

In another motion, about stiffer security at prisons in the wake of the latest escape from Ashkelon gaol, Police Minister Shimon Hefsi said it might be advisable to weigh up the idea of the death sentence for prisoners on life terms who commit murder while in prison. The motion was from Dr. Yitzhak Rabin (N.R.P.), and it was moved to the Interior Committee.

The House also moved to the Finance Committee a motion by Mr. Reuven Arzi (Alignment — Mapam) about granting legal status to internal auditors in State corporations.

T.A. Maccabi well on top

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv Maccabi yesterday beat Hadera Hapoel 2:1 to regain its four-point lead in the National Soccer League.

Five thousands fans at Bloomfield Stadium saw the leaders recover from a 1:0 deficit. Hadera Hapoel took the lead through a penalty spot kick taken by Hargaz, Dror Barnur equalized in the 40th minute. Maccabi scored the winner in the last minute of play.

Tel Aviv Hapoel defeated Netanya, Maccabi 1:0 through a goal scored in the 80th minute by Haim.

Emergency dental care — free for tourists in J'lem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Emergency weekend dental care will be available in Jerusalem beginning today, Mr. Yitzhak Grossman, Municipality spokesman, announced yesterday. The service has been made possible as a result of agreement between Magen David Adom, the Municipality, the Ministry of Tourism and the Israel Dental Society.

Treatment will be available at the Magen David Adom station in Romema, during the following hours: on Fridays and eves of festivals, from three p.m. to seven p.m.; on Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to one p.m., and three p.m. to six p.m. The emergency service will include fillings, extractions, X-rays, treatment of bleeding and inflammations and re-setting dislodged crowns and bridges.

According to the announcement, Israelis will be billed at "popular prices" for the emergency treatment, while tourists will be cared for free of charge.

PEUGEOT, VW, RENAULT RAISE PRICES

Jerusalem Post Transport Reporter

The prices of new Peugeot Volkwagen and Renault cars will go up by between IL500 and IL900. The increases are the result of higher prices set by the factories in Germany and France, an industry spokesman told The Jerusalem Post last night, and are not connected with the abolition of price controls announced by the Transport Ministry earlier this week.

One importer said that he applied for permission to adjust higher factory prices in March, but that his application was not dealt with then.



Patriarch Pimen of Russia, being welcomed, on arrival at Lod Airport yesterday.

Russian Patriarch

(Continued from Page One)

The Patriarch said, at a press conference at the airport, that "it is with great joy that I begin my pilgrimage to the Holy Land." He said he would be the guest of the Greek Orthodox Patriarch of Jerusalem, Benedictus.

Asked if there were any political implications in his visit, he insisted that his trip was purely a religious pilgrimage. (There had been some speculation that the Soviet Government might use the patriarch's visit to the airport despite vociferous protests against the Patriarch's visit by the anti-Soviet Russian Ecclesiastical Mission and the Jewish Defence League. The Mission earlier this week announced that it would observe "days of sorrow" during the visit, calling the Patriarch a "servant of the anti-religious Soviet Government.")

Representatives of the Jewish Defence League yesterday met Archbishop Vasilius of the Greek Orthodox Church and presented him with a protest letter to be passed on to the Soviet prelate. The letter called on him to obtain "freedom of worship for Soviet Jews, just as freedom of worship is granted to the Russian Orthodox Church in Israel."

From the airport, the Patriarch and his entourage proceeded in a convoy of black limousines to Jerusalem, their headquarters during their stay in Israel.

This is the first visit by a Russian Patriarch since 1966.

Newcomers protest placement

Indian immigrants still sitting, Georgians run amok

LOD AIRPORT. — "Even if you sit here for two years, I won't have the Ministry of Absorption deviate from the agreement which you made with me before you left for Israel," Mr. Avraham Sharon, the Jewish Agency representative in Bombay, yesterday told three immigrant families who are holding a sit-down strike here.

The three families from India refused on Monday to accept the Ministry offer of housing in Yeruham, in the Central Negev. They are demanding that they be given housing in Ashdod or Ashkelon, on the coast, where the climate is closer to that of their home town, Bombay.

Mr. Sharon, who had processed the immigrants in India, reminded them that they immigrated with the clear knowledge that they could only get housing where the Ministry sent them.

The striking families said yesterday that they would be prepared to move in with their relatives on condition that the Absorption Ministry give them a written undertaking that, as soon as an apartment becomes available in the area where they want to live, it will be given to them. The Ministry clerks rejected this proposal. The families remained at the airport.

In Haifa, police yesterday detained seven Georgian immigrants who ran wild in the offices of the Absorption Department of the Jewish Agency there. The immigrants had demanded that they be given housing near their relatives at Tirat Carmel. When they were told that no housing was available there at present, they ran amok, tearing a door off its hinges and overturning and scattering the files in the office.

When the police arrived on the scene they refused to leave. Four of the men were detained for questioning, and three women were taken to the police station and then released.

Court workers strike half-day to air complaints

TEL AVIV. — Some 200 Tel Aviv courthouse employees stopped work yesterday morning to hold a prolonged meeting, at which they aired complaints against the courts administration and the Civil Service Commission regarding grades and "broken agreements."

After the workers failed to come up with any agreed course of action, another general meeting was called for this morning.

Present at yesterday's meeting were representatives of works committees of the Jerusalem courts; the finance and internal audit departments of the Justice Ministry; the Ministries of Transport, Communications, and Agriculture in Tel Aviv; the customs workers in Lod Airport; and others. The committees decided to call a national meeting of all the works committees in the civil service for May 25, to discuss their grievances, which include the recently legislated anti-strike law.

Civil servants get new sec'y

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The National Central Committee of the Civil Servants Union yesterday unanimously elected Mr. Haim Bernstein as its National Secretary. The outgoing secretary, Mr. Haim Cohen, resigned a month ago.

Mr. Bernstein said that by the beginning of next month the Civil Servants Union will hand in its list of social benefits and wage demands to the Civil Service Commission. He added: "The civil servants are expecting quite a lot, but we have to consider the financial limitations of the Government in fulfilling these demands when we discuss the collective wage contracts."

New hotel for Netanya beach

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The latest addition to the attractions of this holiday town is the Golden Hotel, which was inaugurated here yesterday. The 146-room, four-star hotel, named in honour of Golda and Aharon Ya'acovich, parents of David Ya'acovich, the major investor in the IL5m project.

Tourism Minister Moshe Kol, who attended the ceremony, said his Ministry was giving sympathetic consideration to the possibility of participating in the development programme for the beachfront. The Ministry has already invested IL650,000 in developing tourist facilities in the town, and intends investing a further IL250,000. Mayor Ovad Ben-Ami was in the large crowd that attended the inauguration festivities at the hotel.

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Analysts hard pressed to explain continuing decline

Jerusalem Post Financial Reporter

TEL AVIV. — After Monday's accelerated decline in the variables, yesterday's very weak market was not unexpected. But, while in previous sessions the decline was sharper in the variables (after modest declines in the openings), the steep price decline yesterday was in the opening, when IL1,495,000 worth of shares changed hands. In the variables, when IL1,580,000 worth of shares were traded some prices even rose above the opening quotation, while others dropped further.

The General Index of Share Prices fell by 2.08 per cent to stand at 215.57.

Investors, brokers and analysts looked for a reason for this continuing decline. Till now they have been optimistic and contented themselves with reasons such as "technical" or "healthy reactions" after the steep rises. But now some thoughts arise regarding the future of local industry in view of expected wage demands and higher interest rates, which will ultimately effect the profitability of various companies.

On the other hand, these negative factors may have been discounted already, and the liquid means in the hands of the public will return to the stock market (which at its present level, has not adjusted itself to the real intrinsic value of many shares).

The general picture of yesterday's market was that the broad public — not the quick operators — sold their holdings with small losses, or what was left of their profits; and the mutual funds, which previously sold stocks at much higher

prices, bought them back at prices they could almost name themselves. Reacting to the startling decline, analysts noted that stock markets tend to "over-react" and that the optimistic predictions of not long ago, when prices went up, may still be fulfilled.

Bank Leumi dropped 1 1/2 in the opening and 2 1/4 in the variables with 157,000 traded. Wolfson twice dropped 3 1/2 points (151,200). Africa-Israel lost 4 in the opening and 5 in the variables (36,000), to close at 291 (since a bonus of 33 per cent is included, the actual price per share is 219). I.L.D.C. dropped 9 points in the opening to 202, dropped immediately to 194 in the variables, and climbed back to close at 202 after 204 (with 36,000 traded). Electric Wire and Cables lost 1 1/2 in the opening, dropped as low as 147, and closed at 149 (76,500).

The biggest loser, as expected, was Delek. It lost 15 points in the opening, dropped 4 more to 153, and closed finally at 159 (118,900 traded). Bank Leumi investment lost 2 and 3 points (with 34,900 traded), and Discount investment 2 1/2 and 3 points (with only 47,200 traded). Lapidot lost 1 and 4 (with 24,500 traded).

The bond market, with a turnover of IL3,150,000, was irregular. Dollar bonds remained unchanged at an attractive low level. Cost-of-living bonds, on the other hand, weakened a bit, which may mean that the rise of the C-o-L has been discounted, and the usual slower movement during the summer months (when fruit and vegetable prices fall), is being taken into consideration.

New fire truck puts out blaze at J'lem plant

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Flames fed by volatile materials swept through a Jerusalem plastic goods factory yesterday, causing extensive damage. There were no casualties.

The plant, which manufactures toys and other plastic articles, is located in Rehov Tuva in the Romema Industrial Centre. It was about to close for the day, when a worker noticed flames coming out of a box of merchandise. He immediately sounded the alarm, and 26 firemen arrived on the scene within minutes, on five Fire Brigade trucks.

"The first thing we did was to remove these cases of highly inflammable magnesium powder," the worker said, pointing to several 10-litre drums standing among the fire hoses.

The firemen succeeded in rescuing the jacket of one of the owners, which contained a large sum of money.

The Fire Brigade used its brand new 10-ton Volvo fire truck for the first time yesterday. It helped bring the fire under control within 15 minutes, the firemen said.

Foreign Exchange

Yesterday's Interbank rates in London

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Slight rise in slow trade

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The number of shares traded amounted to 13,600,000, as declining issues led advancing ones 708 to 669. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 1.88 points and closed at 941.15.

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Students' strike over T.A.U. closer to close-down

Jerusalem Post Staff
TEL AVIV. — The National Student Union decided last night to end its three-day-long strike. The decision was reached after a meeting of more than five hours, with eight members of the students' national leadership voting in favour of calling off the strike. There was only one abstaining vote, cast by the chairman of the Tel Aviv University Student Union, Micha Reisler.

The students had agreed to rescind their demand that tuition fees be frozen, in return for an undertaking that the needy would not have to pay higher fees. Mr. Allison promised to look into this proposal. He also promised that the Bar-Niv Committee proposals regarding tuition hikes would not be submitted to the Government during the summer vacation.

Students were also promised that any tuition hike decided upon will not apply to students studying in the 1972/73 academic year.

TECHNION CENSURE

The committee of Technion students which convened yesterday resolved to censure President Alexander Goldberg, describing his stand on the strike as "baseless, not objective and designed to mislead the public."

The union chairman and Technion president agreed that lessons will not be held today even if the strike is ended.

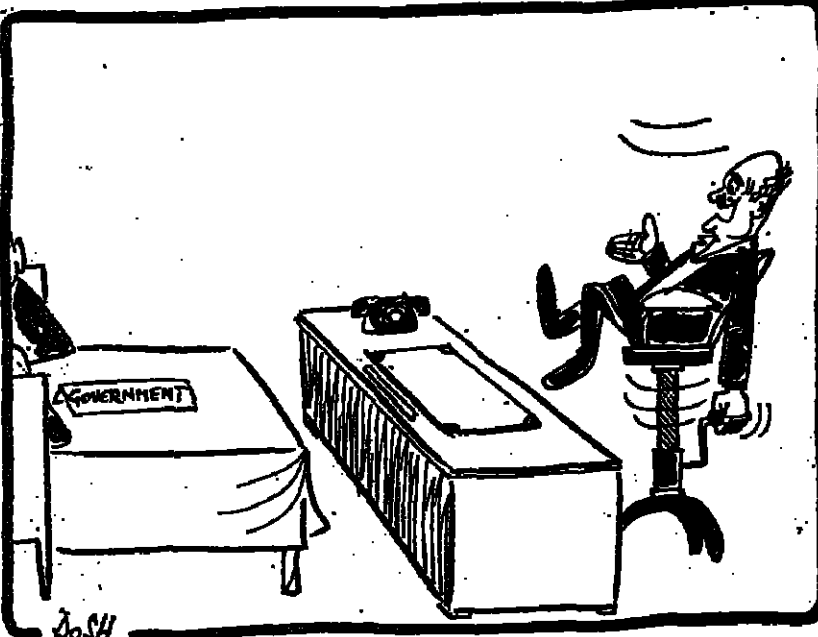
Although classrooms have been empty since the students' strike started, the Hebrew University law students who voluntarily man a

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Tel Aviv University Senate last night empowered the University President and the Rector to take whatever steps they see fit to deal with what it called "The serious and quickly deteriorating situation which makes it impossible to continue with regular academic and research work."

The senate held an extraordinary session yesterday to review the University's financial plight. The Senate approved the decision reached a day earlier by the University's Executive Board to pay its staff only partial salaries and not to pay its debts and utility bills. This in effect can lead to the closing down of the institution, as the teachers and administrative employees have already declared that they will not agree to work for partial pay, and the University cannot very well function without electricity and telephone connections.

The Rector, Prof. Shlomo Simonson, attributed the University's financial difficulties to the discrimination which still exists against it on the Government's part. Tel Aviv University gets less Government aid per each of its 14,000 students than other universities, he said.

BEN-AHARON: WELL, I GOT BACK TO THE SAME CHAIR...



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Ben-Aharon back at post

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon returned to his duties yesterday in his fifth-floor office at the Histadrut Executive Massif here, with the declaration that would continue to fight against what he regarded as a "negative attitude" in Israel towards productive labour.

A constant stream of congratulatory telegrams and visitors poured into his office, particularly newsmen. The largest gathering was that of heads of works committees who had organized sympathy strikes in his support after he handed in his resignation on Sunday, in protest at what he termed "Government intervention in labour relations."

He told them that the wave of strikes in his support "Served for me as an unprecedented demonstration of sympathy that was a decisive contribution in my decision to retract my resignation. We must regard this unity of workers as a great force and maintain its enthusiasm at a constant peak."

Mr. Ben-Aharon said that Israel labour was still confronted by constant crises, the most serious being "the society's attitude to productive labour. It is regrettable to see the mass drift from physical toil."

He appealed to organized labour to defend its rights and maintain the same level of comradeship that found expression in the movement in his support. He stressed that above all, the Histadrut had to be disciplined and react in a disciplined manner.

His well-wishers were led by Yehoshua Peretz, the Ashdod stevedores' boss.

Almogi: Gov't, union policies interdependent

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Trade union policies and Government decisions are interdependent, Labour Minister Yosef Almogi said yesterday at the annual meeting of management and labour organized by the Productivity Institute. He thus took a stand in direct opposition to that of Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon — who conspicuously absent from the meeting — who firmly advocates trade union independence from the Government.

The Minister said that the welfare of the worker derives not only from his salary, but also depends on governmental policies on direct and indirect taxes, on state services and on social welfare aid. The Government has always been in favour of an incomes policy and not just a wage policy, he said; adding that there should be a central wages policy, with only a very small margin between the earnings in each industry.

The Minister was not too enthusiastic about involving workers in profit-sharing schemes, an idea raised by Deputy Histadrut Secretary-General Yehoram Meshel, who represented organized labour instead of Mr. Ben-Aharon. Mr. Meshel claimed that wages per man hour were lower than in Europe but production units were on a higher level than elsewhere. Concurring with Mr. Almogi's theme of the link between government and trade union policies, Mr. Meshel said wages could never be stable if taxes were not.

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Experiment successfully reduces traffic offences

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — "Traffic offences were reduced 30 to 50 per cent when the drivers received warning letters. For a group which received more intensive treatment, the reduction was up to 80 per cent," according to Prof. Gerald Ben-David. He was speaking to newsmen at Holon Municipality yesterday.

Prof. Ben-David was giving an interim report on a research project now being conducted in the streets of Holon and Bat Yam. This original Israeli study, sponsored jointly by Bar-Ilan University, the Transport Ministry and the National Council for the Prevention of Road Accidents, is based on the thesis that there is a cause-and-effect relationship between the number of driving offences committed and the number of accidents.

The theory is that if one observes offences in statistically significant numbers (in a ratio of about 1000:1 compared to the present rate of police detection), and if the observers then try to influence driver behaviour through personal communication (warning letters, personal interviews, retraining courses), a significant reduction in accidents will be achieved, the professor said.

The Holon and Bat Yam experiments, which enjoy the full support of mayors Pinhas Eylon and Menahem Rothschild, are advanced stages of a research programme started in Tel Aviv earlier. The present work is to a large extent financed by a £100,000 Transport Ministry grant and is expected to continue till the end of the year.

The actual traffic-observing is done by a group of specially trained full-time and part-time workers, mostly university students. Computers are used to process the information gathered. One of the findings of the Holon-Bat Yam experiment is that every one of the approximately 20,000 drivers in the area has committed between 20 and 25 driving errors and offences since the beginning of the year (on an average).

After final methods have been worked out and more extensive tests have proven its overall effectiveness, it is planned to apply the scheme nationally.

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Shavuot tonight

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Shavuot, the festival commemorating the receipt of the Torah at Mount Sinai, begins at sundown today.

Throughout the country, housewives were busy yesterday planning and preparing dairy meals for the holiday. (According to tradition, the Children of Israel were too busy on the day of the Giving of the Law, to cook meat. Instead, they made do with dairy snacks.)

Thousands of persons are expected to make the annual Shavuot pilgrimage to the Western Wall during the holiday, in the spirit of the ancient *oliva lorel* custom which used to be observed on Pesach. Shavuot and Succot. Many of the pilgrims are expected to stop first at the tomb of King David, on Mount Zion. (According to tradition, King David was born, and died, on Shavuot.)

City streets and parks throughout the country were filled yesterday with children attired in white suits and dresses and wearing wreaths of flowers. They also carried baskets of fruits to their kindergarten celebrations in honour of Shavuot. Today, celebrations will be held in schools, and many kibbutzim and moshavim will stage pageants welcoming the harvest festival.

Markets and supermarkets in Tel Aviv were jammed with housewives stocking up for the long weekend. Florists, too, did well.

Traffic police yesterday began preparing for the rush of traffic expected over the long weekend, as many city dwellers leave for prolonged picnics in the countryside. Israel Railways and the Egged Bus Cooperative were also getting busy for the extra pressure.

Nearly 200 players are taking part in the 1972 Shavuot national tennis championships for adults and juniors which began yesterday and will continue through Saturday. The adult meet is being held at Haifa's Carmel Country Club, while the Israel Lawn Tennis Association has decided to run the whole of the junior meet at the Hapoel courts here.

PAYIS WINNERS

The IL150,000 grand prize in the Miral Hapayis lottery was drawn yesterday by tickets no. 375124 and 590180. Number 547999 won IL50,000, and numbers 276332 and 522259 won IL2,500. Tickets 354833, 538275, 647733, and 887031 won IL2,250. Tickets ending in "0" won IL4.

The following won IL1,250: 259008, 359744, 430251, 605267, 739074, 785408, 237138, 342372, 395515, 517172, 757909, 096156, 336450, 395814, 479479, 742179, 823216, 333147, 381671, 477087, and 641566.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE BENCH

President Zalman Shazar yesterday formally appointed Messrs. Aharon Olshaker, Ya'acov Ziegleman, Dov Levin and Gershon Shamir as District Court judges, and Mr. Eliezer Kanfi as a Labour Court Judge. The Justice Minister, Mr. Ya'acov Shimon Shapir, was present at the ceremony.

Treasury report reveals: University population planing off due to failings of school system

By DAVID KRIVINE
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

The number of university students — which rose during the last two decades at a rate of over 10 per cent annually — is planning off.

"The coming years will see a drastic drop in the growth rate of the student population — not because there is no room in the universities (the opposite is true), but because the school system is incapable of stepping up the number of pupils who can pass the matriculation examination and become candidates for higher education," states a report on university fees, prepared by the Treasury's Budget Division three months ago.

The report draws attention to the fact that the Government has been pouring money into the universities at a rate which is out of all proportion to the overall needs of the education system as a whole.

GOVT CONTRIBUTION

The contribution from the Government and the Jewish Agency to university budgets soared from IL40m. in 1964 to IL240m. in 1972 — double the rate of increase in the authorities' contribution to primary schooling. The proportion of the Government's education budget going to higher education rose from 15 per cent in 1965 to 25 per cent in 1972. In 1957, the Government and the Agency covered 35 per cent of university budgets — and 65 per cent in 1970. The proportion covered by students fees is 11-12 per cent.

The cost of teaching an undergraduate ranges from IL3,500 to IL15,000 a year, depending on the faculty; whereas he only pays IL830. The secondary school pupils pay IL2,225 in his first year and IL1,435 in the last year — and this covers the entire cost of his schooling.

The report considers that university fees should be increased to redress this disparity. The money saved must go to improve primary and secondary schooling. Such an improvement is essential to crack the freeze in the number of qualified applicants for higher education

and restore the traditional growth-rate — which is imperative for continued economic and social progress.

The report recommends increasing university fees to IL2,500 a year, of which IL1,500 would be a loan from the Government. Repayment terms would be 9 per cent unlinked. Repayment should not exceed four per cent of the graduate's income.

This is one possibility. Another (which the report favours) is to charge more for the more expensive study courses, like science and medicine. The minimum fee would be IL2,000 a year and the maximum IL3,500 — but the loan would in every case be IL1,500 a year.

Eban rebuts Rabin boast

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Reporter

Israel-U.S. relations had been built up slowly and carefully, over many years, by many diplomats and ministers, Foreign Minister Abba Eban stated yesterday, in answer to the claims by Israel's U.S. Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin that he and his embassy staff were responsible for the current good relations with the U.S.

Speaking before law students at a question-and-answer session on Mount Scopus yesterday, Mr. Eban said that he had not yet checked the accuracy of the publicized interviews in which Mr. Rabin reportedly made his claim.

The U.S. Government had decided to supply Israel with sophisticated armoured weapons in 1965, with Skyhawk planes in 1966, and with Phantom in January 1968 (Mr. Rabin took up his post in Washington in February 1968).

On the political front too, the all-important decision to support Israel's stand of no withdrawal before peace was taken in June and July of 1967, Mr. Eban said.

Mr. Eban said that both President Johnson and Nixon were favourably inclined to Israel, "and the previous Israel ambassador to Washington was pro-Israel too."

What ought to be stressed was not the personal contributions of particular people, but the steady continuity in Israel-U.S. relations despite changes of personalities on both sides, he chided.

The Foreign Minister had some

Rabin boast

harsh words for the press: "One has to live in two worlds — the world of the press, and the world of reality," he declared, admitting later, however, that there were instances of coincidence between the two.

Mr. Rabin is returning from Washington today to attend his daughter's wedding, and to explain his remarks personally to the Ministry staff during his 18-day home visit.

Mr. Eban, told the students that he has not yet received any letter of protest from the International Red Cross over Israel's military action to free the hijacked Sabena plane last week. Mr. Eban said he assumed the Red Cross was hesitating in dispatching the letter for fear of appearing as the protector of terrorist hijackers.

The Red Cross spokesman has claimed that Israel exploited the presence of Red Cross men at Lod to take the plane.

Israel need feel neither regretful nor apologetic for its action in freeing the plane. International law had long ago classified pirates as *generis humanis hostes* (enemies of mankind), Mr. Eban reminded the law students, and aerial hijackers were but a reincarnation of the pirates of old.

Mr. Eban yesterday reported to the Knesset Foreign Affairs Committee on the talks that he and Mr. Yigal Allison had held separately with U.S. Secretary of State William Rogers in Washington. The Committee discussed next week's Soviet-U.S. summit.

Ja'abari calls for congress of West Bank mayors

By ANAN SAFADI
Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Hebron Mayor Sheikh Mohammed Ali Ja'abari yesterday called on Israel to permit the newly-elected mayors of Judea and Samaria to convene a congress to discuss problems facing the population, including the future of the area.

Sheikh Ja'abari also urged that the mayors of the major towns be given the power of the former district governors, whose functions ceased with the end of the Jordanian occupation in 1967.

Sheikh Ja'abari voiced this appeal during the ceremonial acceptance of his letter of appointment, confirming his election by acclamation for another four-year term.

Letters of appointment were also delivered yesterday by the Judea and

Samaria Area Commander, T/A Rafael Vardi, to eight mayors in Judea. T/A Vardi will deliver similar letters to five more mayors today, thus completing the official naming of mayors in 23 West Bank towns.

Yesterday's tour by T/A Vardi included Ramallah, El-Eil, Bethlehem, Beit Jala, Beit Sahur, Hebron, Halhul and Dura.

Meanwhile, it was reported, the Jordanian Government has sent messages to the new mayors asking for specimens of their signatures which will be used in documents transferred from the West Bank to Jordan. This appeared to be the first gesture indicating Amman's "acceptance" of the new mayors, despite earlier protests against the elections.

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